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SUBJ: BORDABERRY TO VISIT CHILE

REF: SANTIAGO 4691

1. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED ON AUG 18 THAT PRESIDENT BORDABERRY HAS ACCEPTED AN INVITATION TO VISIT CHILE IN SEPTEMBER. WHILE EXACT DATES OF THE VISIT WERE NOT ANNOUNCED, IT WILL COINCIDE WITH THE CHILEAN NATIONAL DAY AND ARMED FORCES DAY, SEPTEMBER 18 AND 19, RESPECTIVELY. BORDABERRY IS EXPECTED TO REMAIN IN CHILE THREE DAYS. IT IS REPORTED THAT A NUMBER OF AGREEMENTS COVERING TRADE, TRANSPORTATION, FINANCES, TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION, TOURISM, AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE WILL BE SIGNED.

2. BORDABERRY HAS VISITED ARGENTINA, PARAGUAY AND BRAZIL, AND JUAN DOMINGO PERON AND PRESIDENT BANZER MADE TRIPS TO THIS CAPITAL. PRESIDENT'S GEISEL AND BORDABERRY RECENTLY CONCLUDED A BORDER MEETING WHERE ANUMBER OF IMPORTANT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ECONOMIC AGREEMENTS WERE SIGNED. THESE VISITS AND A

NUMBER OF OTHER MINISTERIAL LEVEL MEETINGS ARE PART OF THE URUGUAYAN EFFORT TO BUILD UP A STRONG NETWORK OF BILATERAL AGREEMENTS WITH THE HOPE THAT THESE WILL EVENTUALLY LAD TO GREATER REGIONAL COOPERATION AND INCREASED INTERDEPENDENCE AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE SOUTHERN CONE.

3. BORDABERRY MAY EXPECT, FOR OBVIOUS REASONS, TO BE CRITICIZED FOR VISITING PINOCHET. BUT, AS THERE IS A STRONG FEELING WITHIN THE GOU THAT BOTH CHILE AND URUGUAY ARE BEING ASSALIED BY INTERNATIONAL COMMUNISM, THE PRESIDENT WILL NOT BE DETERRED BY CRITICISM-- WHICH WILL PROBABLY BE WRITTEN OFF AS COMMUNIST INSPIRED IN ANY CASE. THE FEELING IS OFTEN EXPRESSED HERE THAT IF CHILE HAD NOT TAKEN THE BRUNT OF THE ATTACK OF THE MARXISTS, URUGUAY WOULD HAVE BEEN THE PREFERRED TARGET. THUS, THERE EXISTS A REAL FEELING OF KINSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO.

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